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73 WAIT TO BE RESCUED

Miami, Sept. 20.—A Miami tug on Monday ploughing its way through mountainous seas reached the stricken British 900-ton freighter *Lochmoran*.

The U.S. Coast Guard reported that the lives of those on board were in no immediate danger though the tug reported that high seas kept it from beginning the rescue operation.

The Captain of the freighter, bound on Little Cayman Island in the Caribbean radioed the Associated Press: "The vessel is standing up to severe weather conditions surprisingly well." The stricken vessel has 73 persons on board, six of them British passengers.

Captain Trewicks said in his message that the *Lochmoran* is on an even keel and "all the passengers and crew are well and carrying on normal ship's life."

SURVIVORS SAFE

Nineteen survivors from the wrecked British freighter *Leicester* arrived at Montreal in the Argentine freighter *Tropero* and Captain Lawson, 41, told how his ship had tried to run before the hurricane which wrecked her last week.

Twenty other survivors have reached Bermuda, says a report from Hamilton, Bermuda.

"We turned the ship around and tried to run off. She behaved very well for a while until suddenly she took a roll to port," Captain Lawson said.

"Then a colossal sea came right over the top of her and she remained with a list of about 40 degrees. We tried to straighten her and lost two port lifeboats."

"Despite the fact that the weather started to improve after she listed, the list continued to increase from midnight to the time we left her."

The rescued men had to swim some distance to reach the *Tropero* and most of the men were in the water for more than an hour, Captain Lawson said.

According to the survivors, sharks probably got at least three of the crew. —Associated Press.

Sang "Red Flag" On Way To Gallows

Singapore, Sept. 20.—A Chinese Communist who was hanged today at Johore Bahru, walked to the gallows singing the Communist "Internationale."

He was Tan Ah Seng, a former village schoolmaster at Yong Peng, who was one of three terrorists executed this morning.

Tan was the best known Communist-leader in Johore. —Reuter.

Foreign Ministers Meet In An Emergency Session

Storm Wrecks Schooner

Helsinki, Sept. 20.—Several persons were believed to have drowned when the small Finnish motor schooner *Verna*, was wrecked during a storm on Sunday morning off the coast of Åland Island.

Three bodies have been recovered.

Alan fishermen on Sunday morning found pieces of the wreckage on shore and immediately alerted the local police.

A Helsinki newspaper stated that the vessel was en route for Brazil with "many women and children aboard." —United Press.

U.S. Troops To Stay Put

Washington, Sept. 20.—The United States today served notice to Russia that the American troops will remain in Korea pending consideration of the whole Korean problem by the United Nations General Assembly.

The three Foreign Ministers, grim-faced and worried about the crucial decisions they must now make, gathered at the historic Quai d'Orsay on the Seine. Western Powers' top experts on the Berlin crisis were rushing here by plane for intensive consultations.

RIGOROUS SENTENCE QUERIED

Commons Protest

London, Sept. 20.—Capt. L. D. Gammans, Conservative MP, Horney, asked the Foreign Secretary in the House of Commons on Monday if he had any statement to make about the handing over of a British subject, Captain David Vivian, REM, to be tried by the Burmese government which has resulted in a sentence of five years' imprisonment for alleged gun smuggling.

A similar question was asked by Mr. E. P. Smith, Conservative, Ashford, who referred to "the sentence of five years' rigorous imprisonment passed upon Capt. Vivian in Rangoon for smuggling."

Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary to the Foreign Office, replied: "Capt. Vivian is a British officer of the old Indian Army who was seconded for service with the Rangoon police shortly before the Burmese Cabinet on July 19, 1947.

ACCUSED CONFESSES

"According to his own admission, he arranged an illegal issue of 200 Bren guns and a quantity of ammunition from an Army Ordnance Depot to U Saw, who was afterwards convicted and executed for the assassination.

"The offence of which Capt. Vivian was accused was a civil matter of great political importance and no question arose of his trial by military court. He subsequently confessed and was convicted and sentenced by a Burmese court to five years' rigorous imprisonment."

Mr. Smith asked, "Are you aware that a sentence of rigorous imprisonment in a climate like Burma is virtually a death sentence to a European?"

"Since he was not convicted on capital charge," Mr. Smith added, "will you do everything you can to mitigate this sentence of imprisonment?"

Mr. Mayhew replied, "No sir, I am not convinced that the sentence was out of proportion to the crime or the accused." —Associated Press.

BOMBER EXPLODES IN MID-AIR

Tulare, California, Sept. 20.—The United States air force's first jet bomber—a B-45—exploded in mid-air today and crashed near Alpine with a roar which was heard 10 miles away.

Two bodies were recovered from the wreckage, which was strewn over an area of four square miles. Officials said the plane normally carried a crew of six or seven.

The plane, which came from Muroc experimental air base, was flying at 10,000 to 10,000 feet. —Reuter.

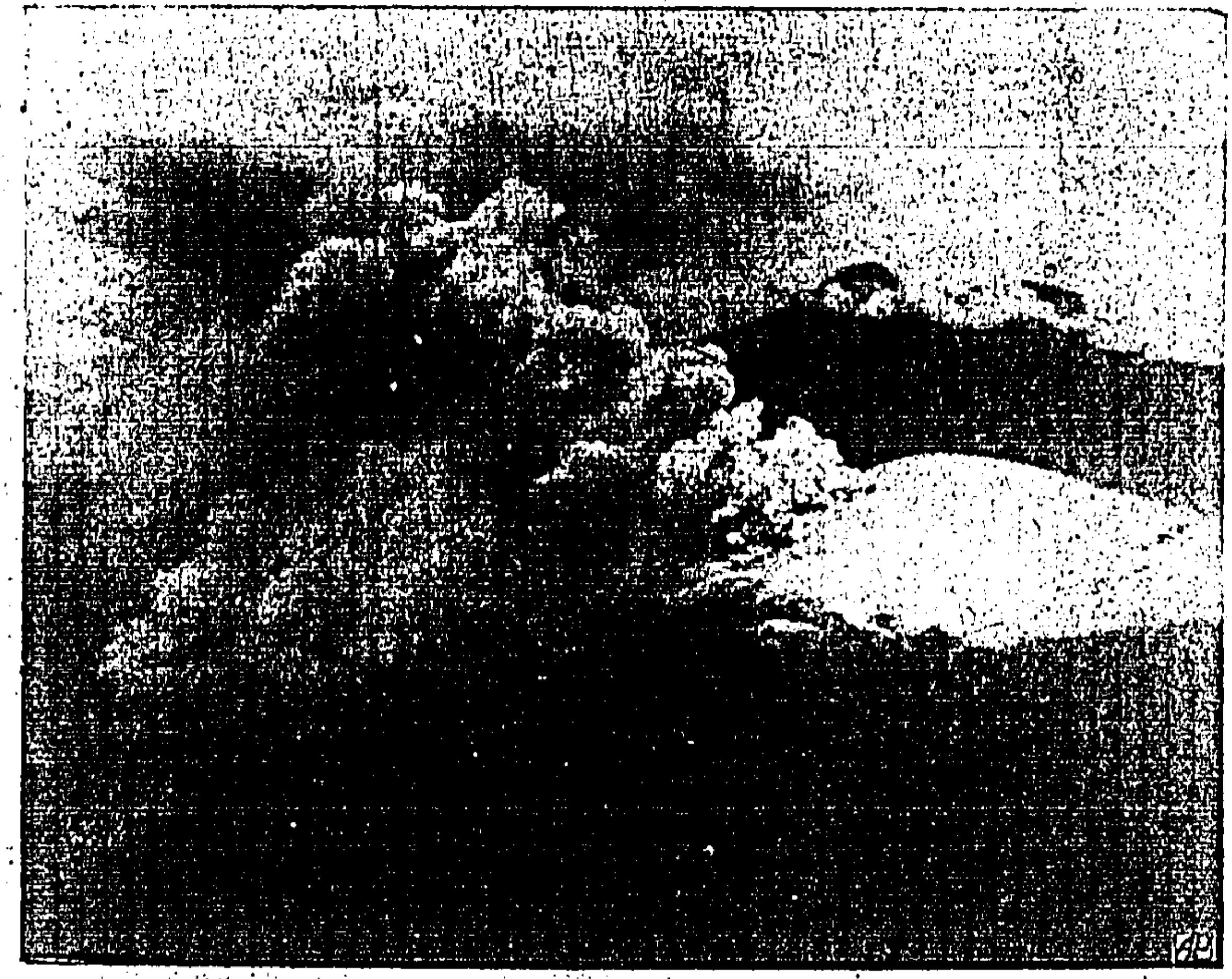
RESERVE FLEET BEING PREPARED

Davenport, England, Sept. 20.—The British Navy is getting ready to put some of its reserve fleet back into service. It was disclosed on Monday.

An Admiralty order issued to the Royal dockyards here gives high priority to the refitting of the reserve vessels.

Dockyard officials declined to say how many ships were involved. —Associated Press.

Hibokhibok Erupts



Smoke, rising to an altitude of 10,000 feet, billows from Hibokhibok volcano on Camiguin Island in the southern Philippines. This picture was made by Tech. Sgt. Gilbert Sheppard of the 13th U.S. Air Force on the fourth day of the eruption. More than 35,000 of the island's 45,000 residents have been evacuated. —AP Picture.

Compensation Likely For Ex-Far East Residents

London, Sept. 20.—The British Government has been considering the cases of United Kingdom and British subjects who suffered losses in the occupied British and ex-British territories in the Far East and who have returned to Britain and intend to remain here permanently, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said today.

He was replying in Parliament to an inquiry for information about compensation payable to British individuals for property lost or destroyed in Burma in 1942.

As soon as certain administrative arrangements were completed, which he hoped would be made in the next few months, a further statement would be made, he added.

Mr. Walter Fletcher (Conservative) wanted to know if enough staff was dealing with this matter, or was this "a parallel to the case in Malaya," in which, he said, it had to be confessed that there was not enough people to deal with it.

Mr. Mayhew replied: "Our difficulties are not concerned with shortage of staff." —Reuter.

FATE OF TSINAN IN BALANCE

Shanghai, Sept. 21.—The climatic battle for Tsinan, provincial capital of Shantung Province, which will go a long way to determine if the Chinese Reds will gain control of the vast areas in Central China north of the Yangtze River, today mounted in fury.

Odds at present seemed to be tipped in favour of the Reds although Government reports claimed that airborne reinforcements continued to pour into the besieged city.

Particularly bitter fighting was described at the Yellow River bridge in the northern outskirts of the city and at several ferry points northwest of Tsinan.

One report told of the Nationalist efforts to counter-attack to wrest the control of the north airfield from the Reds, while the south airfield continued to be in Government hands.

SURRENDER PLOT

A special National Defence Ministry communiqué told of a Nationalist commander's plot to surrender his entire division to the Reds being snipped in the bud.

As soon as possible after delegates of the 59 Nations assembly on Tuesday the UN Administrative Council will ask for a UN Constabulary of from 1,000 to 5,000 men backed by "the full authority of the United Nations."

In his annual report to the General Assembly, Mr. Lee said: "A UN Constabulary would have greatly increased the effectiveness of the work of the Security Council, and have saved many lives, particularly in Indonesia and Palestine." Mr. Lee is to present his report to the Assembly soon after the opening session. —Associated Press.

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Reported Jewish Threat To U.S. Consul-General

Jerusalem, Sept. 20.—A 24-hour United States Marine and Jewish Police guard was posted around the American Consulate today following widespread reports that Jewish extremists have threatened to assassinate the American Consul-General, Mr. John MacDonald.

A special spokesman dismissed the reports as "mere gossip" and said no extraordinary precautions were being taken by the Consulate authorities. However, Jewish officials have set up a continuous guard "until further notice."

The report said that Mr. MacDonald, chairman of the United Nations Truce Commission, was "next on the Stern Gang list" for assassination after Count Bernadotte, who was slain on Friday with his aide, Colonel Andre Serot, in the Jewish-held section of Jerusalem.

A high police spokesman said he believed "two of the murderers" of Count Bernadotte and Col. Serot were still in Jerusalem or among those arrested, indicating that a third member of the assassination party might already have been detained.

HOMES RAIDED

The Jewish authorities, continuing the hunt for the murderers, seized 200 Sternists and sent them to a detention camp. The police raided private homes to arrest the Sternists.

The only incident occurred when a Sternist leader tried to make a speech at the courtyard of Police Headquarters. He was separated from the

observers believed the Sternists would go under cover as a result of the Jewish Government's action. A Government spokesman said fears of civil war vanished, however, when the Sternists failed to put up a fight against the Jewish forces rounding them up. —United Press.

UN CONSTABULARY

Paris, Sept. 20.—Secretary General Trygve Lie will demand urgent formation of a United Nations guard to forestall such acts as

Spain Source Of Weakness To Western Democracy

London, Sept. 20.—The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, told a questioner in Parliament today that Spain, as a Fascist country, was "a source of weakness to Western Democracy."

He added that there had been no change in the British Government's policy towards Spain.

Mr. Martin Lindsay (Conservative) said that Spain had "for long" kept its face "sternly" against the menace of Russian Communism, with which the rest of the world is now faced. Can we not find much common ground with them on that?"

Mr. Mayhew, amid Labour cheers, replied: "No. The Spanish Government has long set its face towards Fascism, and Spain and nothing common with that."

He later rejected a suggestion by Mr. William Teeling (Conservative)

that Britain should approach the Spanish Government on the subject of joint air defence in case of aggression by a third power.

Mr. Teeling further asked for an assurance that every effort would be made to ensure that Western Europe was properly defended "in case of attack and that no personal or party reasons would be used, which would mean that Spain could not be asked to support it."

Mr. Mayhew said that the Government would take all necessary steps.

He gave an assurance that party considerations would not influence the Government. —Reuter.

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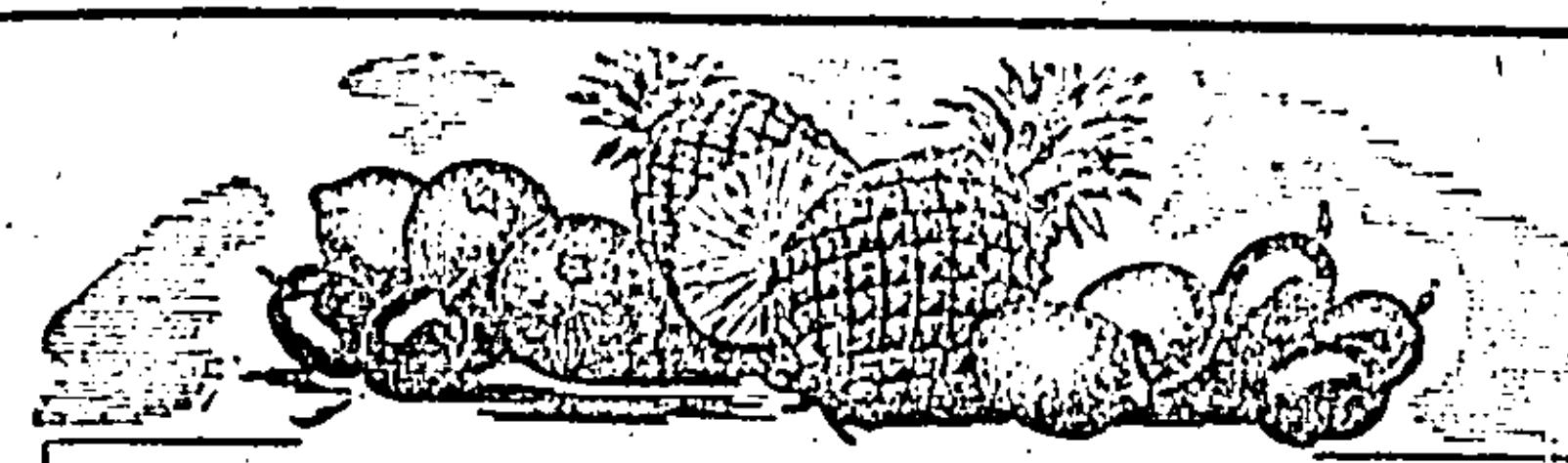
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Using Your Head for Style

Below, a little bonnet of coral colour with a rounded skull crown, and upturned front brim. A wreath of light and dark pink roses is poised along this brim, to cascade down over the right shoulder.



By PRUNELLA WOOD

TWO smart new hats, using between them the two pet harbingers of millinery—flowers, and wings—are sketched for you here, hats from Northridge whose hats are beautifully made as well as charmingly designed. You'd be surprised... or would you?... at the numbers of expensive, beguiling hats which mysteriously fall apart once they get out of the protecting hatbox and into the big world.

Woman Photographer, 84, Creates Pictorial History

NEW ORLEANS—Frances Benjamin Johnston has been a photographer 60 years. Now, at 84, she has so many plans she thinks it will take "about another 60 years" to finish them.

Most of her future plans concern recording on film the buildings of the old South, an occupation to which she has devoted the last 20 years.

"You have to keep right after that, you know," she said in her century-old home in the New Orleans French Quarter. "So many states are letting their best examples of old architecture crumble away. It's nearly criminal."

Right now, Miss Johnston is shuttling between New Orleans and Washington putting the final touches on a book covering Louisiana architecture from the 1720's to the 1850's.

She hopes she and her collaborator, Samuel Wilson, Jr., a New Orleans architect, will be through with their job by October and that the University of North Carolina Press will get the book out next spring.

It's quite possible the book may help Louisiana realize the importance of preserving these early examples of its culture," Miss Johnston said. She is familiar with this vocation, having illustrated books on Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and other sections of the South.

Miss Johnston, who claims to have been Washington's first news photographer and who filmed the White House signing of the document ending the Spanish-American War, has received particular recognition for her architectural photography.

Carnegie Fund Helps

She has been handed nearly \$30,000 in nine grants from the Carnegie Corporation to traverse some 200,000 miles taking pictures of old mansions and old houses in the South. The Library of Congress with which she has a semi-official connection, has 10,000 of her negatives in one special collection. The American Institute of Architects has expressed its gratitude for the fact that she shoots her pictures "straight" by making her an honorary member.

In the cold climate of states such as Minnesota, Siegert adds, the old glass variety sometimes popped without warning, like an exploding light bulb, at a sudden change of temperature. None of that with the plastic type, he says.

Miss Johnston, who studied art in Paris but switched from writing and art illustration to photography in the '60s, becomes a bit crusty at mention of her 84 years.

"It's not that I'm sensitive about my age," she snapped. "It's just that it's not important. Experience, yes, but age, no."

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Gold in Them Thar Mines

Hair Needs Regular Brushing



Between shampoos, use a good preparation to remove dandruff.

By HELEN FOLLETT

NOW that smart, cap-fitting hairdos are in, carry fewer undulations and ringlets, perhaps the good old hairbrush will come into fashion again. Hair specialists accent the need of grooming but they say that the customers pay little heed to their words. Brushing makes the tresses shine. Unless they shine they are not in tip-top form. Also this hygienic action acts favourably upon the scalp. Unless the scalp is in a healthy state, growth is retarded.

Some women fancy that brushing pulls out the silky shafts. A mistaken idea. Only the dead ones will be found among the brittle. You can't brush out a live shaft.

Scalp massage is invigorating to the hair. Place fingers and thumbs outspread. Then do a lot of brisk thumbing. Pinch the flesh and roll it. The looser the tissue the freer will be the flow of blood from which the glory crown gets food and drink.

The general health has much to do with the condition of the hair. Sleeplessness, nervousness, digestive disturbances may make the growth thinner.

At this season of the year the hair needs lubricating so that it will not be too dry. Too much sunlight will not only make the shafts dry but it may change the colour, cause the halo to carry streaks, unnatural lights and shadows.

A little brilliantine can be used. Put it on with an atomizer after the hair is dressed or spread it on the teeth of the comb when arranging your hairdo. These preparations do not make for an oily appearance, they just add a pleasing gloss or shimmer.

Be fussy about shampoos. See that they are done with thoroughness. And between shampoos, use a good preparation to remove dandruff.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Serious Thing to Forget

—No One Remembered Pixie O'Scowl's Birthday—

By MAX TRELL

"I KNEW I'd forget it! I just knew I'd forget it!" said a grumbling voice. It came from the other side of the garden wall. Knarf and Hanid, the shadows with the turned-about names, recognized the voice as belonging to Pixie O'Scowl. They hurriedly climbed over the wall to find out what was the matter.

It was Pixie O'Scowl all right, sitting on the ground under a thistle. Stretched out beside him was Pixie McSnooze, with his eyes half-shut, trying his best (or so it seemed to Knarf and Hanid) to take a nap.

Pixie O'Scowl was shaking Pixie McSnooze. "I knew I'd forget it! Why didn't you remind me, McSnooze? It's your fault! You were supposed to remind me! Wake up!"

Drowsy Voice

"I'm too sleepy to wake up," Pixie McSnooze answered in a drowsy voice.

"What did you forget all about?" Hanid asked, as she and Knarf sat down on the ground.

"I forgot about my birthday."

"Oh, dear," said Hanid, thinking at once of how bad she would feel if she happened to forget about her birthday.

"My birthday was yesterday, and here it is today. So my birthday has come and gone. Wake up, McSnooze!" Pixie O'Scowl said, giving McSnooze an extra hard shake.

McSnooze sat up with his eyes tight shut. "I'm awake," he said; "wide awake. Happy birthday to you!" Then he slid back on the ground again and started snoring.

"Pawt! Happy birthday, he says. It's too late!"

Knarf said: "You'll have another birthday next year. You'll just have to wait!"



"Wake up McSnooze," Pixie O'Scowl said.

Pixie O'Scowl shook his head. "I wouldn't mind so much if I only had to wait one year."

"But birthdays come once a year," Hanid said. "Of course you only have to wait one year."

Carnegie Fund Helps

"Not pixies," muttered Pixie O'Scowl. "Pixies only have birthdays once every hundred years. My next birthday doesn't come until the twenty-sixth of July 2046."

Knarf and Hanid could now understand why Pixie O'Scowl was so upset. It's one thing to have to wait only a year for another birthday—but to have to wait a hundred years! That's awful!" Hanid said to Knarf as they both climbed back over the wall.

Later in the afternoon they brought Pixie O'Scowl a corn-muffin with raisins in it and a tall glass of cream. "It's your day-after-birthday present!" said Hanid.

"Happy Day-After-Birthday to you!" Knarf said.

"Thank you," said Pixie O'Scowl, smiling for the first time. McSnooze was still fast asleep. Knarf put a raisin in his mouth. He chewed it and swallowed it, but he didn't wake up. He just smiled in his sleep.

Buffalo in the Old-Time West

BY ROBERT SCHICK

OUT in the Great Plains region of Kansas the sky is a great luminous arc extending from horizon to horizon and the earth is a stranger to any elevation higher than the back of a Shetland pony.

Let us pretend that you rode out on the prairie one day back in the 1800s. The flatlands had yet to be scratched by the plough and they were unchanged, since the Ice Age.

It was a wilderness of short grass. As you sit on your horse looking at the plains, you probably notice hundreds of queer scooped-out depressions and wondered what they were. The prairie was vacant and you couldn't imagine how they came to be there. Then you met an old plainsman who told you an almost unbelievable story.

Fund for Buffalo Families

Those depressions in the ground were buffalo wallows, formed by the pawing and rolling of these wild cattle—for that is really what they are—when they sought to escape flies or to have a little bovine fun. From Saskatchewan to the Gulf of Mexico these mighty plains were the feeding ground for untold millions of the American bison.

The buffalo had much to do with the shaping of the American West. As long as the herds grazed unmolested, the mounted tribes of the region—Sioux, Poncas, Crows, Pawnees—could remain as free as the winds that blew. Jerked buffalo meat was the Indians' chief food.

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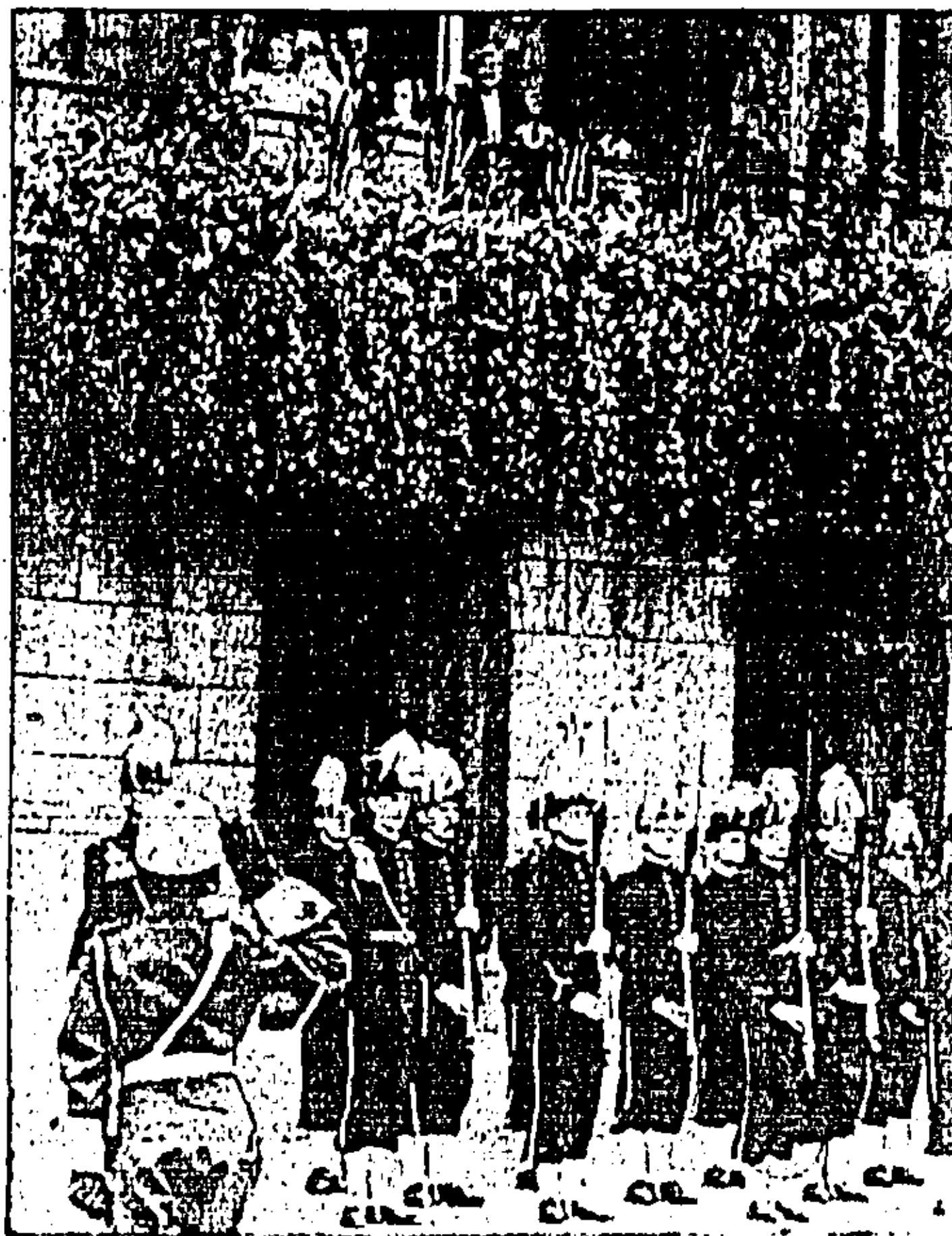
Rupert & Ting-Ling—44



Determined not to be beaten, Rupert keeps on blowing queer music out of the little pipe and he tries very hard to remember the particular tune which Ting-Ling had played. For a long time the others keep silent, but suddenly Rupert is jerked out of it. Turning sharply, he sees that they have all gone. Mr. Bear stops at a tree. "Look out, Rupert!" he says. "Mind that creature!" "What creature?" "Where?" "Where?" cries Rupert. "I can't see anything."

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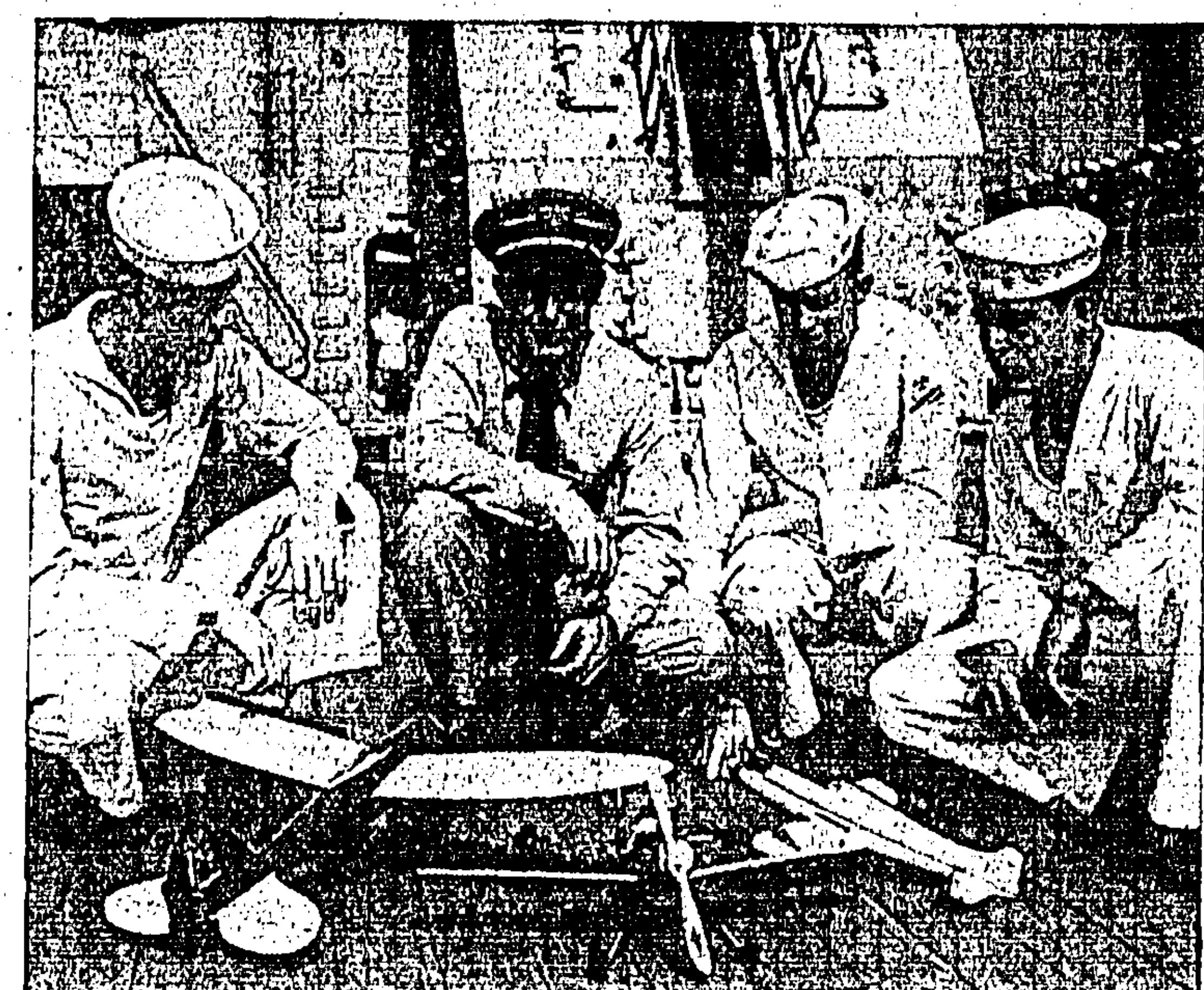
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



ROYAL FAMILY—The Netherlands royal family appears on the palace balcony in Amsterdam to receive a salute from subjects gathered in Dam Square. Sixty-eight-year-old Queen Wilhelmina, abdicating in favour of her daughter, is joined on the balcony by the new Queen Julian, Prince Bernhard, and the four young princesses, Beatrix, Irene, Margriet, and Marijke.



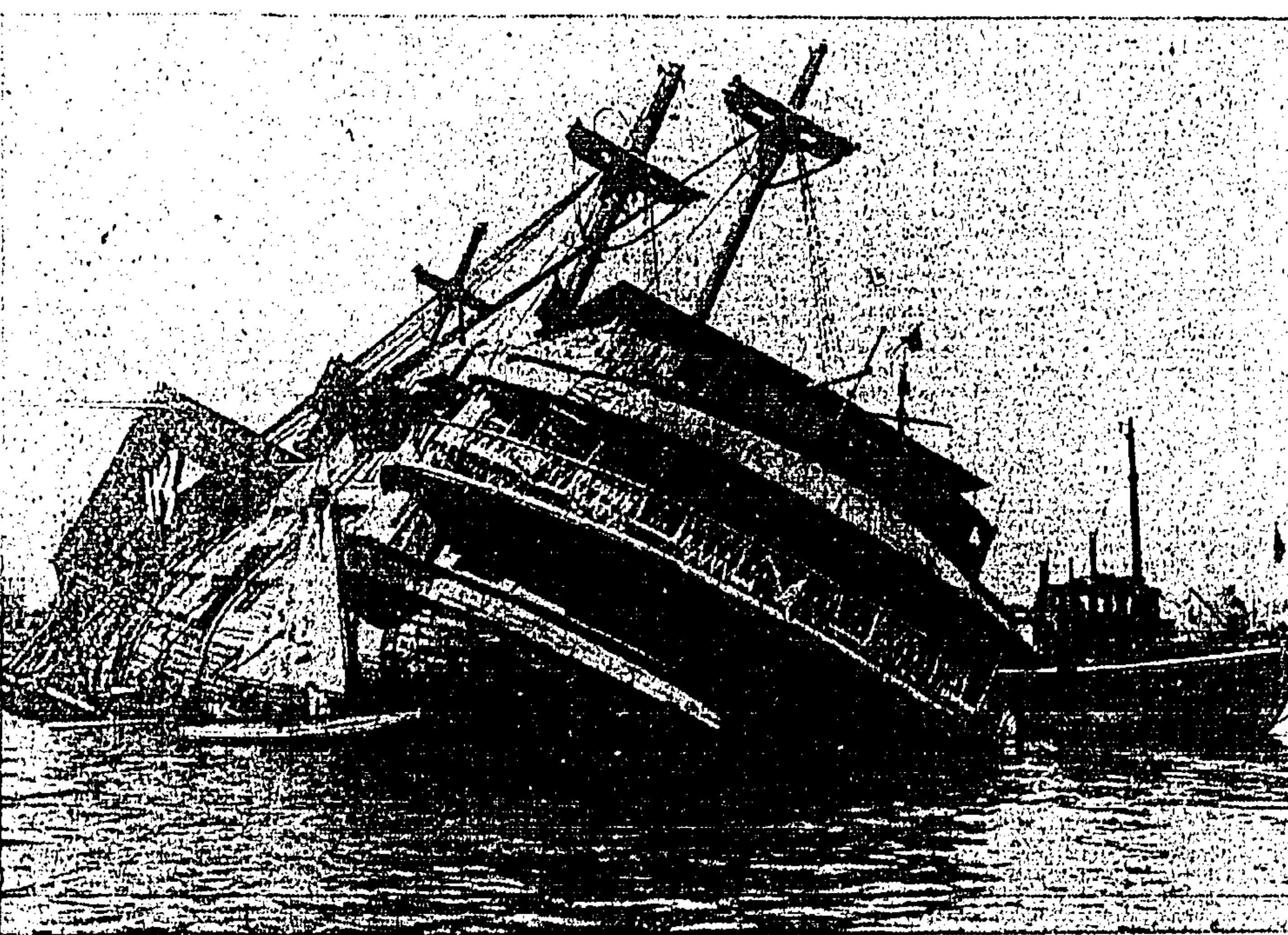
"SEESAW DANCE"—A group of little Russians performs the "Dance of the Seesaw" in the Leningrad Palace of Young Pioneers. (This caption was supplied by the official Russian picture agency).



VARIED Hobbies AMONG GOBS—Crew members of the U.S. Navy's latest gunnery development ship, the 32,000-ton former battleship USS Mississippi, display some of the aircraft they made in the ship's hobby shop during their free time. They make model aeroplanes and racing cars mostly—few make model ships!



BUDDHIST ANNIVERSARY—These two youngsters and an old man were among those in San Francisco celebrating the 50th anniversary of Buddhism in America. The little girls' costumes are present day dress in Japan; the old man's is early ceremonial style.



SHIP SINKS IN THAMES—The century-old wooden training ship, Worcester, leans wearily into the Thames River after it turned over and sank. The 74-gun ship, which was laid down in 1839, was first used as a coast defence vessel. Later, in the service of the Thames Nautical Training College, the wooden ship helped in the training of more than 5,000 cadets in the Royal and Merchant navies.



"THE GIRL THEY'D MOST LIKE TO SAVE"—That's the title given actress Virginia Mayo by the life guards who protect swimmers on California beaches. These two huskies also considered Virginia a noteworthy contribution to beach scenery.

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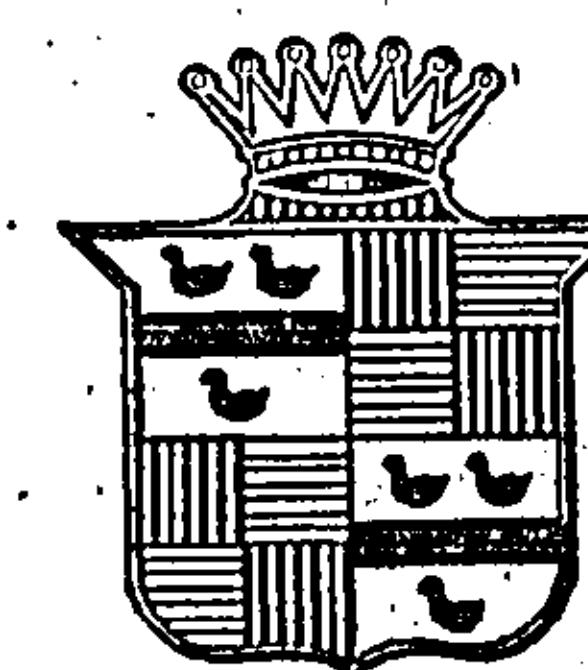
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CHILDREN CHAINED, PARENTS ARRESTED—Nine-year-old Darlene MacDonald, left, displays the chains with which she told Los Angeles authorities, she and a brother, Jeremiah, aged five, were often bound as punishment. Father and blind mother, right, were arrested after officers found the youngest, Lamont, aged 2½, bound to a high chair. The remains of an insufficient meal were found on the table. The father admitted the children had "not the best of care."



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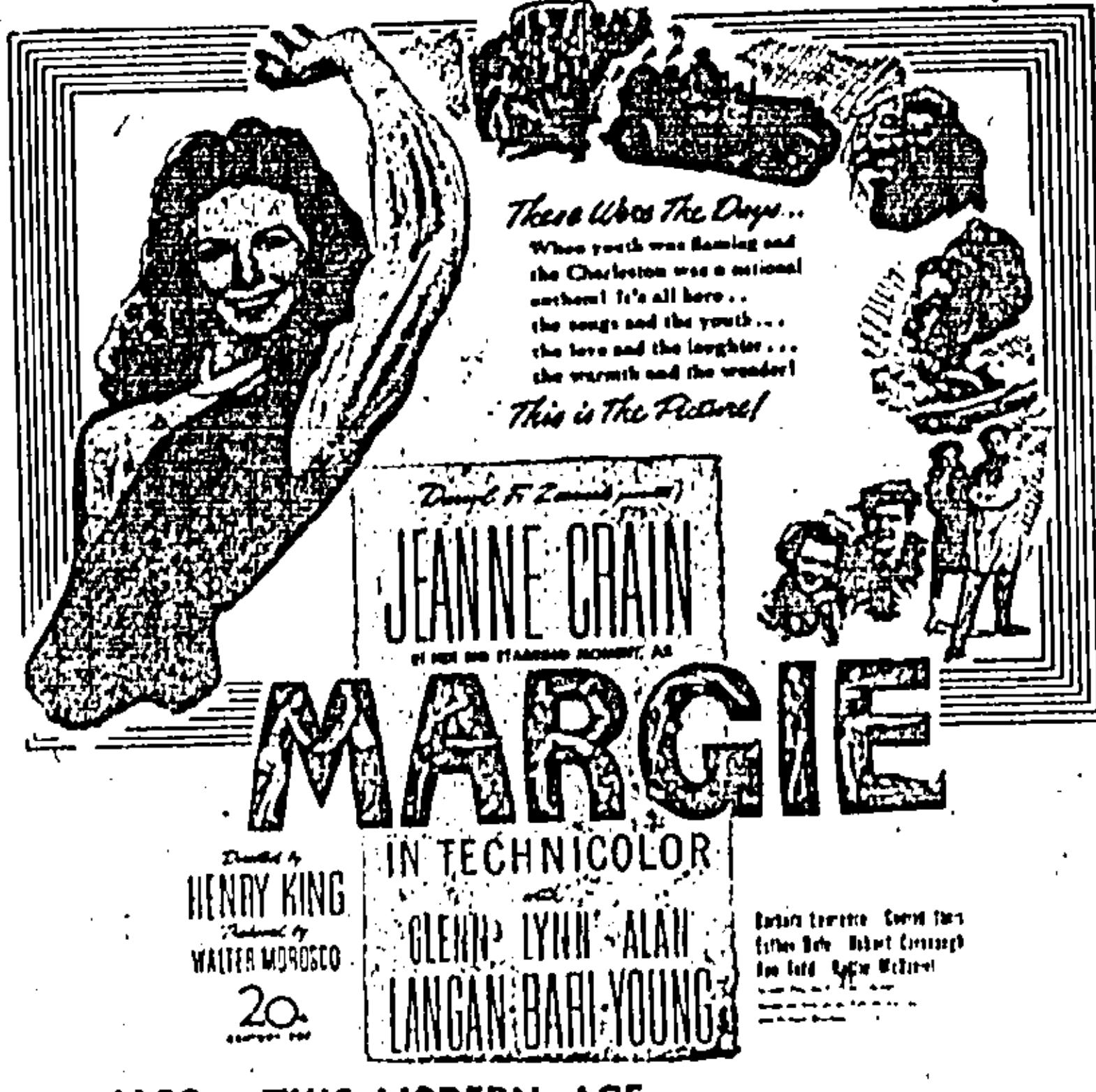
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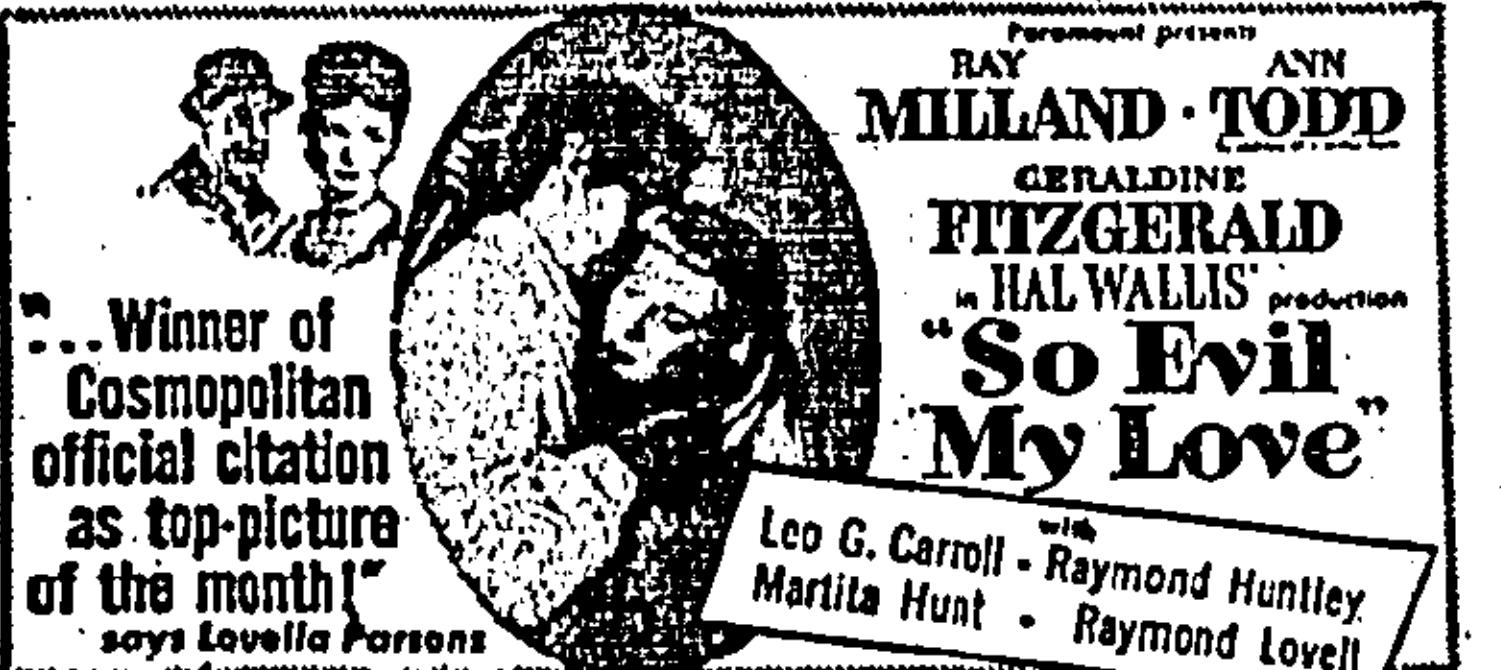
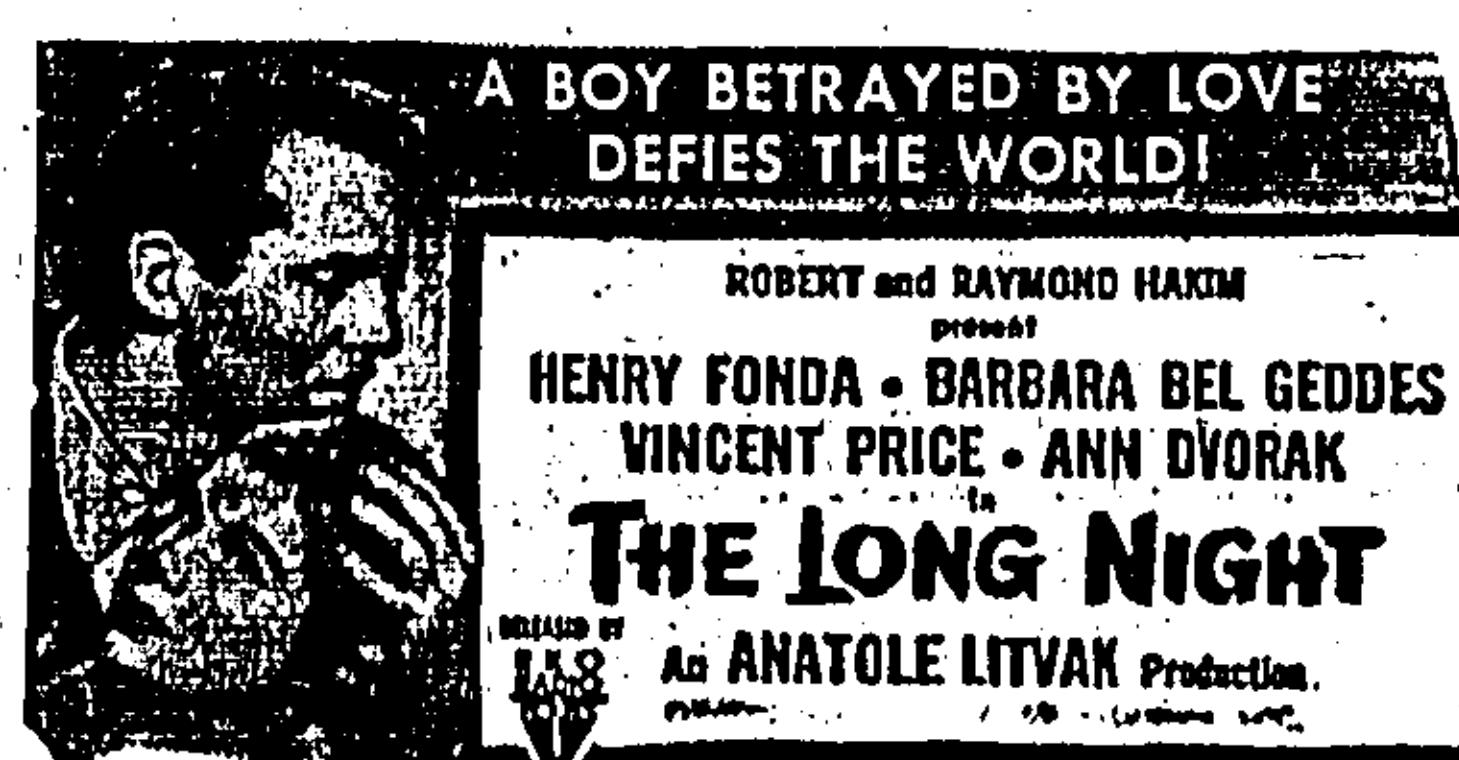
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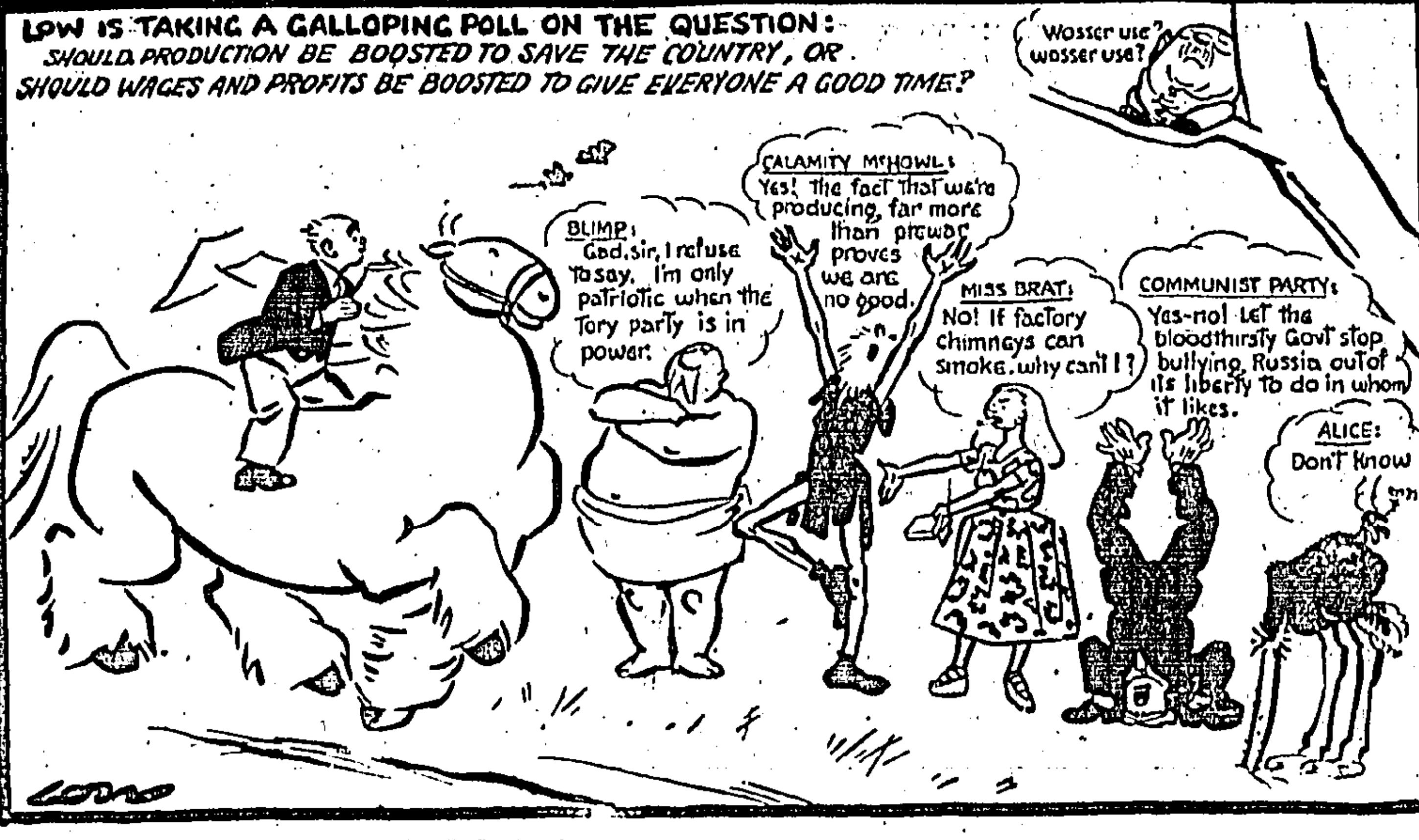
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TESTING BRITAIN'S AIR DEFENCES

By AIR COMMODORE
L.G.S. PAYNE

Air Correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, London

London, Sept. 6.
LAST Friday, six years and nine months after the United States entered the war against Germany and Japan, the British and American air forces were again joined in air operations.

This air co-operation, of which the exercise "Dagger" is only one obvious indication, is remarkable for two reasons. For the first time in history, a friendly Power has been provided in peacetime with military air bases in Britain. Training operations are being conducted by the air forces of two nations which are united, not by any formal military alliance, but by their determination to do everything possible to preserve peace and, in the last resort, to defend themselves against further aggression.

"Dagger" is officially described as a training exercise rather than as a war game based on some possible future conflict. Last week Air Marshal Sir William Elliot, A.O.C.-in-C. of Fighter Command, said that the object was to find out what we could do with our present organisation and equipment. That is a prudent precaution because, in any future war, there may be little time for strengthening our defences before the full scale of enemy attack develops.

90 Superfortresses

EXCEPT for the participation of the U.S.A.F., "Dagger" is on the same lines as R.A.F. exercises held before the last war. Northland, embracing the Midlands, East Anglia and South-Eastern England, is being attacked by bombers of Southland, a Continental Power whose western front line extends from Basle, Switzerland, to a point half-way up the Norwegian coast.

Available aircraft, including 90

American B-29 Superfortresses now

in England and planes from British

and United States forces of occupation in Germany, have been divided between the belligerents. The

majority of the bombers have been

given to the aggressor, Southland,

and cost of the fighters to North-

land. The efficiency of the component parts of our air defence organisation is being tested. They include the regular and auxiliary fighter squadrons, counter-offensive bomber force, system for con-rolling movements of fighters, radar stations which give warning of enemy aircraft approaching our coasts, Royal Observer Corps and anti-aircraft units of the Territorial Army.

Bomber crews are being practised in attacking heavily defended areas. Many pilots and ground controllers taking part, as Sir William Elliot pointed out, have no previous experience of war operations.

Disparity in Speeds

DISPARITY in the speeds of the bombers and fighters used in the exercise makes the tests of our defences less severe. The reasons for this disparity are clear. Towards the end of the last war and in the years immediately following, efforts were concentrated on developing jet fighters. They produced a new range of fighters with speeds approaching or exceeding 600 m.p.h.

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These planes are about 125 m.p.h. faster than the best piston-engined fighters, which have become obsolete, except for long-range missions.

The pure-jet engine was at first believed to be unsuitable for bombers because its high fuel consumption would limit their range. American designers have now succeeded in producing medium-range jet bombers. They are formidable weapons as their speed, almost equal to that of jet fighters, makes them difficult to intercept.

No other country has piston-engined bombers better than those in Britain and the United States. The Tupolev TU-70s, now appearing in large numbers in Russia, are close copies of American B-29s.

The U.S.A.F. has at least four types of jet bombers under test. It has already placed a large order for North American B-45 four-engined jet bombers which will be available in service squadrons this year.

Jet bombers, so far as is known, are not yet in quantity production in any country other than the United States, although prototype planes of this type exist in Great Britain and Russia.

THE high-speed jet bomber already constitutes a serious problem for air defence organisations. A far more serious one will soon be presented by guided missiles and rockets of greatly superior performance to the German V1s and V2s.

The atom bomb has enormously increased the difficulties of providing any effective air defence. It will soon be no longer a question of wearing down the scale of the enemy's bombing attack to the point where it becomes unprofitable. If a few jet bombers or guided missiles carrying atom bombs get through, the results may be decisive. "Dagger" is not designed to provide solutions to such problems.

Three types of bombers are being used in this exercise. The B-29, powered by four Wright 2,200 h.p. piston engines, was designed eight years ago. With a maximum speed of 351 m.p.h., it is 41 m.p.h. faster than the R.A.F.'s Lincoln bomber and 78 m.p.h. faster than the Lancaster. Normal cruising speeds of the three types do not exceed 175-250 m.p.h.

Not All Gain

IF it was found that bombers as slow as these could easily evade our defences, the position would be serious.

Assuming that the efficiency of the ground organisation has not been greatly impaired by lack of trained men and technical equipment, including telephone and telemetre communications—the exercise is more likely to reveal the vulnerability of slow piston-engined bombers to jet fighters. That would be neither astonishing nor consoling.

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much faster than the German flying bomb, whose speed was only about 400 m.p.h. But it would mean that our slow piston-engined bombers will be very vulnerable to enemy fighters when operating beyond the range of our escort jet fighters. Any deterrent effect of a force of slow bombers would be correspondingly reduced.

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Such reflections seem obvious enough now. But the Government's new plans will do little to alleviate these difficulties. Retention of a few trained men due for release from the Services is, at best, a temporary palliative. Extension of the period of National Service from 12 to 18 months will not redress the serious shortage of skilled men.

Unpopular Pay Code

THE root cause of the trouble is the unpopular new pay code which the Services were reluctantly compelled to accept in 1946.

Since then, at many RAF stations not a single airman has been persuaded to re-enlist. The reason given is invariably the same. The men say that their position under the new pay code is so bad, and compares so unfavourably with that of trade unionists, that it is not fair to them, or to their wives and children, to ask them to remain in the Service.

Recent British Government statements have shown that there is no plan for re-equipping our bomber force with faster piston-engined aircraft than the Lincolns and Lancasters. The intention apparently is to provide the R.A.F. with British jet bombers as soon as they are available. As there is no interim type, the need for supplying the R.A.F. with high-speed jet bombers is all the more urgent.

Objections to the jet bomber on account of its comparatively short range carry little weight. If the most decisive operations are likely to be in a small European theatre.

Whatever the results of exercise "Dagger" may be, the British Government will not be absolved from the responsibility of making good defence deficiencies already apparent. Shortages of military equipment cannot be redressed without interfering with plans for economic recovery. This must be faced.

Man-power and material resources of the aircraft industry should not be employed, at this stage, in producing new airliners, including giant flying-boats and land-planes, which arouse little enthusiasm among British airline operators and none among possible purchasers abroad. Nor should they be wasted on unprofitable projects for converting airliners, found to be unsuitable as such, into pressurised freighters.

Trained Technician

WITHOUT sufficient numbers of trained men to maintain and operate it, new technical equipment for our forces will be of little avail.

In a letter published in the "Daily Telegraph" on Sept. 25, 1946, I wrote:

"There may be, in the future, even more need for volunteers willing to serve on long-term engagements than for short-term National Service men. It can scarcely be expected that the latter, during the

IN AND OUT OF PARLIAMENT

By Ernest Thurtle, M.P.

MR. SHINWELL may get the recruits he appeals for to fill the Territorial ranks, but there is little enthusiasm among his parliamentary colleagues for this appeal for volunteers.

After the experience of two great wars, belief in the voluntary principle as applied to national defence is nothing like as strong as it was.

In practice, as people have learned, reliance on volunteering results in the more conscientious and public-spirited undertaking obligations of an onerous character which others carefully avoid.

If the War Secretary says, the Regular Army is now too small for its responsibilities, the remedy surely lies in a revision of the present extent of recruiting for that branch of defence.

AT last we are being given an opportunity of learning the ugly facts of the notorious Hitler-Stalin pact of 1939, that agreement which gave Hitler the "all clear" for the attack on Poland setting World War II in motion.

Under the title "The Captured Archives" (published by Latimer House Ltd., 8s. 6d.) Bernard Newman tells the story unfolded by the Allies in the Nazi Foreign Office archives as the war was ending.

IT is a sorry story. Readers will find it absorbingly interesting and yet at the same time nauseating, for it reveals the depths of duplicity to which the lust for power will drive leaders of nations.

Yet the book should be widely read.

Painful though it is to learn of Soviet congratulations to Hitler on his triumph over France, and of the way in which Russia secretly agreed to the carving up of Poland before a shot had been fired, our people should know these things.

They are the diplomatic facts of life.

THOMAS SKEFFINGTON-LODGE, my Labour colleague who sits for Bedford, is a landowner in Yorkshire villages, and he naturally believes in making hay while the sun shines.

That, presumably, is one reason why he is so restlessly energetic in this Parliament.

As the first Labour M.P. for his constituency, and with a majority of only 298 in 1945, he may possibly have doubts if the sun will continue to shine at Bedford.

Anyhow, this bachelor Socialist, with strong clerical affinities (he is chairman of the Christian Socialist Group) is an exceedingly active back-bencher.

Everything is grist to his mill. A snapper up of unconsidered trifles, he can become passionate, for example, on the subject of the flesh of the beaver.

He might be more effective, if less entertaining, if he concentrated more on fewer subjects.

Beanfeast For Smokers

By FREDERICK COOK

NEW YORK.

BEANFEAST for smokers is the five-day transatlantic trip in one of Britain's "Queen" liners. Some 30,000 packets of American cigarettes—600,000 smokes—are put aboard every time one of the big ship sails from here.

Similar quantities of British cigarettes go aboard each sailing from Southampton. Being tax free they cost only around 8d a packet.

Passing cars, aeroplanes over-

All-time low

FILM "Piccadilly Incident" is making records here, unenviable ones. In Los Angeles it ran seven days. In New York it was taken off after three. Opening night the box office yield here was £3678. When all is over, John Smethwick's picnickers can claim no credit for this. They did not picket it in either city. The critics unanimously disliked it.

Tattle-trouble

NEW YORK television has run into serious trouble. Tall buildings, passing cars, aeroplanes overhead, advertising blimp with electric signs; all these make the images twist, turn, and shiver. People complain that after paying up to £362 for a set, they have to spend around £100 more on gadgets to make it work properly.

Women wrestlers

STANDING old New England, land of the Puritans, has a new craze: women all-in, wrestlers. They are packing the biggest hall in Boston.

That army food

TWO soldiers who did not care for army food and, in a Virginian court, brought suit against the U.S. Government for damages, have lost their case.

The appeals division, by a majority decision, threw the case out, saying a decision for the soldiers would result in "devastation of military discipline and morale."

Remember Abyssinia

GOVERNOR Dewey's undisguised bid for the American-Italian vote—with his proposal to let Italy have her colonies back—is drawing fire on his head.

Angry letters are appearing in the Press, reminding readers of the Abyssinian war. The Chicago Tribune advises Dewey to worry more about Americans and less about Italians.

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By Ernie Bushmiller



Youth Charged With Uttering A Threatening Letter

A 17-year-old unemployed youth, Chau Chiming, appeared before the Chief Justice, Sir Leslie Gibson, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, charged with uttering a threatening letter on July 15 and demanding \$25 with menaces from a tailor, Chau Siu-sin, on July 17. He pleaded not guilty.

Appearing for the prosecution in Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor), assisted by Det. Sub-Inspector R. Mackenzie, the accused is not represented by Counsel.

The jury comprises five men and two women.

Mr Blair-Kerr said that the tailor resided at No. 4 Wanchai Road, ground floor, and had known accused for about two months prior to the alleged incidents. On July 15, a letter was delivered to the tailor by a small boy. The letter contained a demand for \$25 and

HYDERABAD DISCUSSION ADJOURNED

Paris, Sept. 20.—At Britain's suggestion, the Security Council today decided on a few days' adjournment of the Hyderabad case, after hearing a Hyderabad representative declare that he had received no direct instructions from the Nizam.

The delegate, Zahir Ahmed, Secretary to the Hyderabad Ministry of External Affairs, said: "It appears that the Nizam has ordered the cessation of hostilities that Indian troops have entered Hyderabad, and that martial law has been declared."

He too urged a few days' postponement of the case. India's representative, Sir RamaSwami Mudaliar, said that he had vainly tried to communicate to the Hyderabad delegation an order from the Nizam to withdraw its Security Council complaint.

This withdrawal order was not caused by Indian pressure but came from the Nizam, he said. "He withdrew the complaint before our armies reached Hyderabad. In fact, our forces entered Hyderabad City at the Nizam's invitation."

Order was now established except for some Razakars. In some regions of the State, he added, the people would be free to decide their own future.—Reuter.

Soviet Republic Of Java

Batavia, Sept. 20.—The Communist-controlled radio, at Madura today announced that a "Soviet Republic of Java" has been established there with the Moscow-trained Communist Musso as President.

It was learned that United Nations officials here are prepared to fly out three-power delegates now in the Republic because of dangers resulting from the Communist coup and from the reported heavy Indonesian-Dutch fighting in Central Java.

The Belgian, Australian and United States delegates with their staffs were originally scheduled to spend three weeks in Indonesian territory.

WEEKEND FIGHTING

Military sources said the Dutch-Indonesian fighting continued over the weekend near Purbalingga, 35 miles northeast of the southern Java seaport town of Tjilatjap. An Indonesian force of 1,500 was reported to be fleeing after the Dutch employed mortar and artillery fire and aerial reconnaissance.

The Communist-controlled radio at Madura charged that the Republican Government was following a policy of "capitulation to the Dutch and British and selling out to American capitalists."

The station broadcast a series of orders from the revolutionary government ordering guards to be posted at key buildings in the city. Forty-eight hours have elapsed since the seizure of the city, but no fighting between the rebels and the Republican Army has been reported yet.—United Press.

SUSPECTED OF SMUGGLING

Washington, Sept. 20.—Three Americans, arrested by the Dutch police off Singapore last week accused of trying to smuggle arms into south-east Asia, were identified today by the United States State Department as William B. Hallum, pilot of a Catalina flying-boat; Albert Wontstall and Connie W. Solrist. A Filipino, who was also arrested, was identified as Primitivo Masil.

The group was arrested last Tuesday at Ayerbo Island in the Anambas group in a British and Dutch police trap.

A flying-boat identified as the property of the Insular Airways of the Philippines, was confiscated.

The group was suspected of trying to smuggle arms into Republic-held Indonesia or into Malaya.—Reuter.

Here's The Winner



Vera J. Ralston, "Miss Kansas" in the annual "Miss America" beauty pageant, parades before the judges in Convention Hall, Atlantic City, N.J., as she won the initial bathing suit competition of the 1948 contest.—AP Picture.

Attempted To Murder Own Child

Woman Discharged On Surety Bond

"I have given this case my consideration and in view of the unusual circumstances and in spite of the gravity of the charge, I can see no good purpose by sending you to prison," Mr Justice Gould told Leung Ol, a 34-year-old married woman, when she was brought before him at the Criminal Sessions this morning for sentence on a charge of attempted murder of her child.

Mr A. J. Clifford, instructed by Mr P. C. Woo, represented the accused and yesterday, entered a plea of guilty, pleading extenuating circumstances.

His Lordship remarked the possibility of danger, which Counsel for Defence must appreciate, which would arise if accused on being liberated should repeat the attempt which she had already made. This would then turn the act of mercy into a tragic error, but his Lordship did not think that would arise if accused was sufficiently well looked after.

Mr Clifford said that accused's father-in-law, Fung Yuk, was in Court and was prepared to sign an undertaking to that effect.

Accused was discharged on a surety of bond for \$1,000 and on condition that she entered into a recognisance to be of good behaviour and come up for sentence when called upon to do so at any time within 12 months.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted with Det. Insp. T. Cashman appearing for the Police.

She Seeks \$100,000



Phyllis Lane, former model and entertainer, smiles for the camera in New York Supreme court after filing suit for \$100,000 damages against John La Porte Given, food company heir. She alleges that Given dropped her from the 22nd floor window of the Park Central hotel in New York, after first letting her dangle by her ankles. Luckily she landed on a terrace one-floor below.—AP Picture.

Reversed His Plea

Man Sentenced To Prison And Cane

Washington, Sept. 20.—The Economic Co-operation Administration today authorised an additional \$7,267,850 in foreign aid funds for France, Norway, Italy and Greece.

The allocation brought the total of Marshall Aid funds so far committed to European recovery to \$1,693,100,850.

Today's allocations were: France \$755,800 for aircraft engines and spare parts from the United States; Greece \$3,508,400—\$340,000 for wood products from Italy, \$1,201,500 for sugar from Brazil, \$1,891,800 for ocean freight, \$20,000 for office machinery from the United States and \$50,000 for leather from the United States.

Italy: \$2,522,750—\$2,340,000 for salted fish from Canada and Newfoundland and \$188,750 for ocean freight.

Norway: \$480,000—\$380,000 for American farm tractors and \$100,000 for other United States agricultural machinery.—Reuter.

Purpose Of The United Nations

Southampton, Sept. 20.—Mrs Eleanor Roosevelt arrived here today en route to Paris and told reporters that the United Nations organisation was established to maintain peace rather than make it. "The reason people feel so discouraged about the United Nations is often because they expect from it things it was not set up to do," she said.

"One must realise that for centuries, men have turned to force as an ultimate aim of settling their differences. To switch to law negotiation and conciliation takes considerable time."

Mrs Roosevelt explained that the UNO was removing the cause of war through its work in such fields as trade, food and economics.

Mrs Roosevelt arrived aboard the liner, America. She is going to the UNO General Assembly in Paris as chairman of the UNO Commission on Human Rights.—United Press.

Britain To Pay Higher Prices

For Australian Meat

London, Sept. 20.—The Ministry of Food announced today that Britain had granted increased meat prices to Australia during the year beginning October 1 in the re-negotiated bulk purchase agreement.

The question of long term plans to substantially raise Australian meat production will come up for discussion during the forthcoming conference of Dominion Prime Ministers, the Ministry said.

The spokesman for the Australian Government said that the new prices would bring Australia more in line with what Argentina and New Zealand were receiving.

The agreement reached today only covered frozen beef, mutton, lamb and pig meat. Tinned meat is still to be negotiated.

The spokesman said that about 300 tons would be exported under the new prices.

The Ministry of Food team of bargainers, headed by Sir Henry

Turner, hammered out the revised figures in 10 days of talk with Mr G. Critchley, Senior Australian Trade Commissioner and Mr R. Haynes, representative of the Australia Meat Board.

The last agreement was signed in 1944. Since then, according to the spokesman, Australia has been receiving far less than other meat raising countries. The case put by the Australians during the negotiations was that meat production costs had gone up as well as world prices.

The spokesman said that Australia would not agree to a long term plan for growing meat without a similar long term agreement guaranteeing stabilised prices.—United Press.

Fate Of Tsinan

(Continued from Page 1)

The Nationalist commander, Gen. Wang Yeo-wu, received word of the plan and asked Wu to Tsinan ostensibly for a conference. Wu suspected that the plot was discovered wherefore he immediately surrendered with 2,000 men to the Reds.

The communiqué, however, claimed that two battalions and the brigade commander, Yang Yu-po, and two regimental commanders, who followed them to the Red camp were able to bring their men back to the Chinese side. Yang Tunn-yu, who informed Wang of the plot, has been given command of the Division.

The communiqué said that the defection has not affected Tsinan's defense.—United Press.

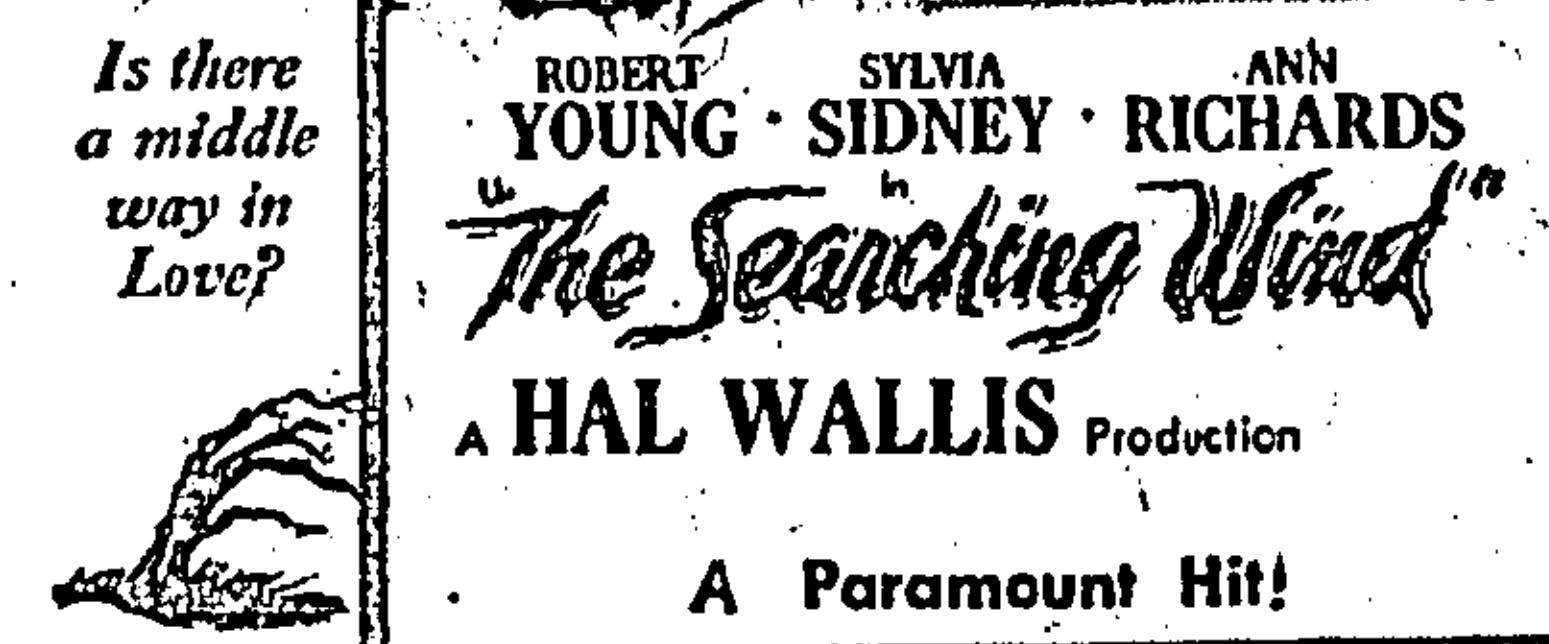
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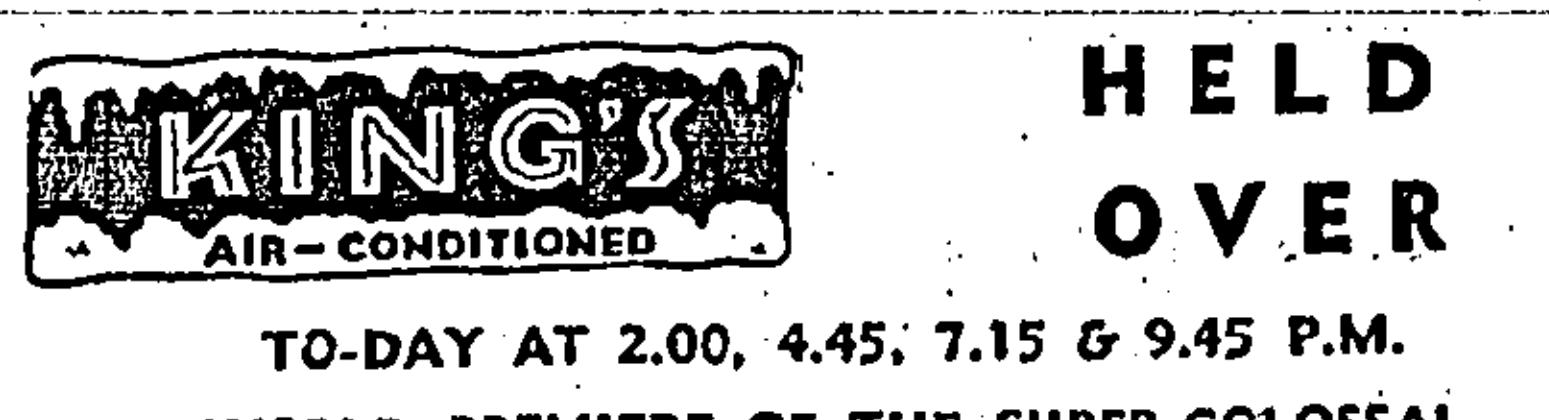
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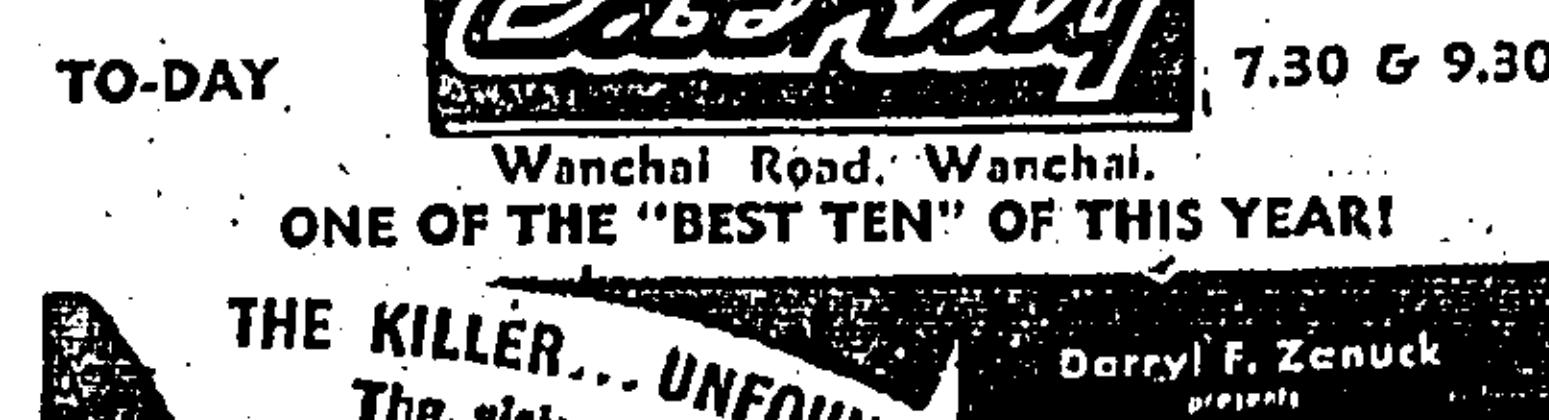
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US TROOPS TO STAY COTTON MILL "KING" CHARGED

"The United States Government regards the question of the withdrawal of occupying forces as but one factor of the entire question of unity and independence of Korea. The General Assembly had taken cognisance of this larger question, as evidenced by the resolution referred to above, and may be expected to give further consideration to the matter as its forthcoming meeting."—United Press.

"The proceedings were held in camera and Yung was remanded in custody after the hearing.—Reuter.

VAN MOOK RETURNING TO BATAVIA

Communist Uprising In Java

The Hague, Sept. 20.—Doctor Hubertus J. van Mook, Lieutenant-Governor General of the Netherlands East Indies, will leave for Batavia on Tuesday to deal with the new situation in Java created by the Communist uprising.

After ten days of conferences at the Hague, Dr van Mook cut short his stay in Holland and prepared to return to Batavia. His secretary acknowledged that the decision to return was quite sudden.

Dr van Mook spent the afternoon in conference with high Dutch officials.

Dr van Mook's sudden departure left his future position unclarified. When he arrived here from Batavia, it was widely rumoured that he would soon be replaced but the Communist uprising in Java apparently postponed a decision on this question.

In Washington, the Netherlands Foreign Minister Udo Stikker said that his government would refuse to make any concession to the Indonesian Republic which would strengthen the Communist movement.

At a news conference he indicated a belief that Russia was directing Communist activities in Indonesia, but declined to say so directly.

"ONLY TWO CAMPS"

Mr Stikker cited recent words of Russo, the Moscow-trained leader of Indonesia's Communists, as evidence of where orders were originating.

Sweden's Soc. Democrats Win Election

Stockholm, Sept. 20.—Sweden's Social Democratic government, in power since 1932, will continue to rule the country alone, according to the personal opinion of Prime Minister Tage Elander.

In Sunday's elections for the second Chamber of the Swedish Parliament the Riksdag, the Social Democrats lost three seats. However, they still retained their majority by a margin of eight seats. The Liberal People's Party emerged as the strongest opposition party gaining a record thirty-one seats.

"My personal opinion is that the Social Democratic government will continue alone," Mr Elander told the Associated Press today. He declined, however, to make a definite statement pointing out that he had to confer with his party.

PRELIMINARY RESULTS

According to the preliminary results of Sunday's elections the contested 230 seats of the second Chamber of the Riksdag will be divided as follows:

Conservatives 22 (17 losses)
Agrarians 30 (5 losses)
Liberals 50 (31 gains)
Social Democrats 112 (3 losses)
Communists 9 (6 losses)

The Social Democrats thus have a majority of three seats over the Conservatives, Agrarians and Liberals which formed an election bloc in an effort to defeat the government party.—Associated Press.

U. Tin Tut's Assassination

Seven People Arrested

Rangoon, Sept. 20.—Seven people have been arrested in connection with the assassination of U Tin Tut, Burma's first Foreign Minister, who died yesterday from wounds received in a grenade attack.

The Union Parliament today recorded its grief at U Tin Tut's death.

U Thakin Nu, the Prime Minister, and other Cabinet ministers paid tributes to their colleague, and the Speaker of the House was asked to convey condolences to U Tin Tut's family.

Burma Government forces killed over 100 insurgents in a battle in Arakan a Rangoon communiqué announced tonight.

Government troops also re-captured the town of Bago, in the Irrawaddy Delta, after killing 30 insurgents.

Mopping up operations continued in the Bassein district of the Delta, the communiqué added.

In the rice exporting port of Bassein, members of the Karen National Union held a mass meeting and "prayed" for a Karen state without bloodshed.

An unofficial report said that two Chinese were killed when insurgents attacked the Syrian oil depot across the river from Rangoon last night.

A large number of casualties was inflicted on the insurgents, the report said.—Reuter.

Face Narcotic Charges



Dancer Vickie Evans (left) and Actress Lila Leeds, arrested with Actor Robert Mitchum on narcotic charges, await with their attorney, Grant V. Cooper, the start of a hearing at the Los Angeles, Cal., Hall of Justice, on a writ of habeas corpus under which they were freed. They also face rehooking on the narcotics charge as a result of grand jury indictments against them.—AP Picture.

Morrison's Jibe At Winston Churchill

London, Sept. 20.—Mr Herbert Morrison, Deputy Prime Minister, opened the second reading of Government's Bill to curb the Lords today with a dry comment on Mr Winston Churchill's vacation expenses.

Mr Morrison said that he hoped Mr Churchill, now vacationing in South France, had observed the £35 limit imposed on all British tourists.

Conservative members, quick to remember that Mr Morrison had just returned from Riviera, asked: "Did you?"

Mr Morrison assured them that he had.

Mr Anthony Eden, Deputy Opposition leader, snipped: "Isn't Mr Morrison a little ungenerous to the greatest dollar earner we have?"

Mr Morrison replied lamely: "It is, I readily withdraw at once, if it be the question of American aid. But if that be the case, I hope we shall not hear jeers and jibes at this Government for accepting American aid in economic necessity."

Mr Morrison explained earlier that he mentioned Mr Churchill's vacation because he thought the Opposition leader would return to London in time to "give us a dreadful time in this short session."

The House then began a serious deliberation of the Bill.

FALSE ARGUMENT

Mr Morrison denied that the Bill to curb the Lords' veto powers had been introduced to pave a way for the passage of an iron and steel nationalisation bill which has not yet been introduced.

"If the Opposition persist in that argument, they are indicating that they have fixed up with the House of Lords before the Bill has been introduced to reject it," he said.

Mr Morrison said that the Lords should not be allowed to "mutilate" legislation. "This is an intolerable state of affairs and in our opinion their Lordships have no such authority."

The Parliamentary Bill would reduce from two years to one year the amount in which the Lords could consider the Bill passed by the House of Commons.

Sir David Maxwell Fyfe, Chief Opposition speaker, moved the rejection of the Bill. He denied Mr Morrison's assertion that the public could form an opinion on such a complicated matter in five months.

Sir David attacked the Government for suppressing the weekly newspapers during the fuel crisis as well as the Government's entire newsprint policy and added:

"Today, the ordinary elector has much less chance of getting political pabulum from newspapers than he had even 35 years ago."—United Press.

No Scaling Down Of Reparations

London, Sept. 20.—The United States has asked for a scaling down of reparations from western Germany but Britain still stands by the original programme, Mr Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, told Parliament today.

"The United States Government has made its view clear to us on this subject," he said. "Discussions are in progress but there has been no change in our policy."

A Foreign Office spokesman said France agrees with Britain on the issue.—Reuter.

Colonel Tulloch Issues Denial

Calcutta, Sept. 20.—Colonel Cromerly Tulloch of Henley-on-Thames, England, on Monday night denied charges of aiding rebellious Karen in Burma.

He had been named by the Burma government as a British officer who had been aiding the Karen rebellion.

Colonel Tulloch, who resigned from the British Army in 1948 after serving in Burma, said he corresponded with the Karen but in no way was he aiding their rebellion.

He declared that the Burma Government is infected with Communism.—Associated Press.

Inaccurate Setting Of Instruments May Have Caused Air Collision

London, Sept. 20.—Possible errors in the accuracy for the setting of instruments leading to mistakes in estimated heights were mentioned by a Ministry of Civil Aviation representative, Mr J. Hewson, when a public enquiry opened today into the collision of two planes and the loss of 39 passengers here on July 4.

One plane, a Royal Air Force York transport aircraft, ending a flight from the Far East, carried 16 passengers, including Sir Edward Gent, then High Commissioner for Malaya. The other plane was a Swedish Douglas Cloudmaster airliner.

Mr Hewson said that both aircraft appeared to be airworthy, and they were manned by experienced flyers, who were supplied with the necessary instructions, including meteorological information.

Just before the crash the theoretical position was that there was 500 feet between the aircraft; ho said.

Mr Hewson earlier explained that altimeters in aircraft were affected by barometric pressure, and it was highly important that planes in congested areas should have common data for setting their instruments as they were coming in from places with widely differing barometric pressure.

The centre for the London metropolitan area within which altimeters could be set on common data was Uxbridge. The Swedish airliner asked Northolt a report for the barometric reading at the airport. Northolt gave in reply the regional barometric pressure.

The Parliamentary Labour Party recognises that any weakness over the Berlin issue would be a catastrophe for both the Government and the Party.

The Labour Party committed itself up to the hilt over the Berlin crisis ever since last July when it gave a demonstrative welcome to the German Social Democratic leader of Berlin, Franz Neumann, and when the National Council of Labour adopted a strongly worded resolution on Berlin.

It is known that a small minority of 30 to 40 Members of Parliament around Mr William Warby and Mr Sidney Silverman, actually believe that the evacuation of Western troops from Berlin would be the best way to ban danger of war and to solve the international crisis.

Mr Hewson said that it appeared that the accident took place when the York was called down to 1,500 feet.

He added that instrument flying, which both planes were using depended on the accuracy of the instruments and their correct setting and reading, on correct orders from the ground and on the obedience to instructions. A small error in setting an instrument could make a difference of about 50 feet up or down.

"What I am looking for here is the accumulation of possible errors, without any negligence on the part of anyone, but all those things added together might make a considerable amount," he said.

Mr Hewson suggested that the court might consider the margin of safety allowed by "stacking" planes at levels of 500 feet apart while they waited to land.

The inquiry was adjourned until tomorrow.—Reuter.

DEAD CREW IDENTIFIED

Frankfurt, Sept. 20.—All five of the crew were killed in the crash of a British plane at Wunsdorf on Sunday night, a British official announced received in Frankfurt on Monday.

The announcement identified those killed as: Flight Lieutenant H. W. Thompson, crew captain, Flight Lieutenant G. Kell, co-pilot, L. E. H. Gilbert, signaller, S. M. L. Towsery, engineer, D. W. Watson (rank not given).

The plane crashed soon after taking off from Wunsdorf airfield where they loaded coal for blockaded Berlin.—Associated Press.

The Conservatives are now opposing Mr Bevin for his alleged lukewarm attitude towards a Western Union of Europe, failing to produce dramatic action in the Berlin situation and also for the problems which are not his direct departmental responsibility, like Malaya and Hyderabad.

The Labour circles believe that the new Conservative attitude towards Mr Bevin may be connected with the approaching General Elections.

As Mr Bevin was an asset to the Labour Government, the Conservatives may think that they are wronging their own cause if they exempted him from attack on the present administration.—United Press.

U. PROPOSALS WELCOMED

London, Sept. 20.—The British Government welcomed the United States proposals for international administration of Antarctic territories now under dispute, Mr Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said today in a written Parliamentary reply.

The proposals "aimed at the promotion of scientific investigation and research in Antarctica and an agreed international solution of the problem of conflicting territorial claims on the basis of some form of joint administration by the countries concerned," he said.

Britain is considering her reply. Argentina and Chile are occupying territory in the Antarctic claimed by Britain.—Reuter.

Communist Editors Detained

Frankfurt, Sept. 20.—Two Communist newspaper editors in Wurttemberg-Baden, Hans Van Dyck, of the Volksstimme Stuttgart, and Kurt Weber, of the Badisches Volksblatt, were today arrested on charges of causing incitement and opposition against the United States by publishing false and untrue news.

They will be tried by an American military court at Ludwigshafen on October 12, but have been granted bail meanwhile.—Reuter.

Monty's Denial

London, Sept. 20.—Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, asked about the report that he would be retiring soon, said: "This is the first I have heard about it. Whoever made the statement was speaking without authority from me or anybody else."

The hint that he was retiring was given at an Old Comrades Re-union dinner at Reading on Saturday when it was suggested that Lord Montgomery was likely to retire before many months.—Reuter.

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